

The T. reesei RNA is used as template for RT-PCR using methods known in the art (Loftus, J. et al., Science, 249:915-918, 1990). During this procedure the mRNA is reverse transcribed to produce first strand cDNA. The cDNA subsequently serves as template for PCR amplification of bgl4 cDNA sequences using specific olionucleotide primers designed in accordance with SEQ ID No. 1 or SEQ ID No. 3.

In the claims: Please replace claims 2, 8, 18, and 25 with the following rewritten claims:

- 2. An isolated polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (b) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 90% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (c) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (d) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (e) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
 - (f) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2:
 - (g) a nucleic acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:3, or the complement thereof;

a nucleic acid sequence that hybridizes, under high stringency conditions to the sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:3, or the complement or a fragment thereof, wherein said isolated polynucleotide encodes a polypeptide having the biological activity of a β-glucosidase.



8. An expression construct including a polynucleotide sequence (i) having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2), or (ii) being





capable of hybridizing to a probe derived from the nucleotide sequence disclosed in Figure 1 under conditions of intermediate to high stringency, or (iii) being complementary to a nucleotide sequence having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2).

- 18. A substantially purified BGL4 polypeptide with the biological activity of a β-glucosidase, comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) an amino acid sequence having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid / sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (b) an amino acid sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (c) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (d) an amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (e) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
 - (f) an amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2; a substantially purified biologically active fragment of the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2.
- 25. A detergent composition, said composition comprising a polypeptide selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) an amino acid sequence having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (b) an amino acid sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2):
 - (c) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (d) an amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (e) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
- (f) an amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2; a substantially purified biologically active fragment of the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2.



